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REMARKS

I. Status of the Claims

Claims 1-14 are pending. Claims 15-16 are new. Support for Claims 15-16 can be found, for example, in the specification and in Figures 9-11 and paragraphs [0043]-[0045] of the application.

Claims 1, 3, 5-6, 8, 10-14 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,222,921 to Mugura et al. (Mugura). Claims 2 and 7 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Mugura in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,288,718 to Laursen et al. (Laursen). Claims 4 and 9 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Mugura in view of U.S. Patent No. 7,358,960 to Mak (Mak).

A Request for Continued Examination is filed concurrently herewith and entry of the above amendments is respectfully requested. Applicants request reconsideration in view of the amendments above and the remarks that follow.

Applicants hereby request a telephonic Examiner Interview prior to subsequent Official Action.

II. Independent Claims 1 and 6

Independent Claim 1 recites as follows:

1. A method of selecting a number or address from a list stored in a telecommunications device for initiating a call or sending a message from the telecommunications device to the number or address, the list comprising names and one or more numbers or addresses corresponding to each name, the method comprising:

displaying a list comprising at least some of the stored names, one of the names in the list being highlighted, the highlighted name being displayed in the list together with a default one of the one or more numbers and/or addresses corresponding to the highlighted name.

The Action takes the position that Mugura discloses selecting or highlighting one of the displayed names in the list in Figures 4A-4B and displaying together with a default one of

the one or more numbers and/or addresses corresponding to the highlighted name in Figures 4C-4D. *See the Action, page 2.*

Applicants have amended Claims 1 and 6 to recite as follows: displaying the list including at least some of the stored names, one of the names in the list being highlighted and the highlighted name being displayed in the list together with a default one of the one or more numbers and/or addresses corresponding to the highlighted name. Applicants submit that Mugura proposes two steps, *i.e.*, such that the highlighted name is not displayed in the list and together with a default one of the one or more numbers and/or addresses. As shown in Figures 3 and 4A-4E and as described in column 1, lines 49-56 of Mugura, the names are displayed on a first display screen, while the corresponding numbers are displayed on a second display screen. In addition, column 4, lines 21-22 of Mugura discusses that the display of Figure 4C, which displays the numbers, is shown sequentially in time to the screen display of Figure 4B, which displays the list of names. *See Figures 3 and 4A-4E (reproduced below).*

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FIG. 4A

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FIG. 4C

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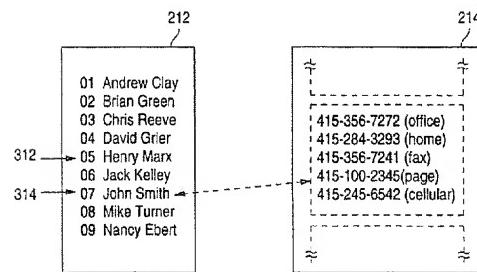


FIG. 3

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FIG. 4E

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Therefore, Mugura does not disclose or render obvious displaying the list including at least some of the stored names, one of the names in the list being highlighted and the highlighted name being displayed in the list together with a default one of the one or more numbers and/or addresses corresponding to the highlighted name. as recited in Claim 1. This recitation is also not disclosed or rendered obvious by Laursen, which is cited with respect to Claims 2 and 7 or Mak, which is cited with respect to Claims 4 and 9. Claim 6 includes recitations analogous to those discussed above with respect to Claim 1. Claims 2-5 and 11-12 depend from Claim 1 and Claims 7-10 and 13-14 depend from Claim 6. Such claims are patentable at least per the patentability of Claims 1 and 6, respectively. Accordingly, Applicants request that the rejections of Claims 1-14 be withdrawn.

In addition, certain dependent claims are separately patentable for at least the reasons discussed below.

III. Claims 2 and 7 are Separately Patentable

Claims 2 and 7 recite that the default number or address is displayed together with an indication of whether the list includes further numbers or addresses corresponding to the highlighted name in addition to the displayed number or address. The Action concedes that this feature is not disclosed by Mugura. However, the Action takes the position that this feature is disclosed by Laursen, Figure 3A, element 324; col. 5, lines 56-64.

Laursen merely discusses that an indicator 324 indicates that there are more items off the current display screen using either an upward or a downward arrow. See col. 5, lines 56-64 (cited in the Action). Applicants submit that the scroll arrow indicator 324 of Laursen does not indicate in any way whether the list includes further numbers or addresses corresponding to the highlighted name in addition to the displayed number or address. In particular, the scroll arrow indicator 324 apparently bears no relationship to any information that corresponds to the highlighted name and is merely used to scroll information displayed on the screen up or down.

Accordingly, Applicants submit that Claims 2 and 7 are separately patentable and request that the rejection of Claims 2 and 7 be withdrawn.

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IV. New Claims 15-16

Claim 15 depends from Claim 1, and Claim 16 depends from Claim 6. Claims 15-16 are patentable at least for the reasons discussed above with respect to the independent claims.

In addition, Claims 15-16 are separately patentable for at least the following reasons. Claims 15-16 generally recite that the list of names, the highlighted name in the list of names and the default one of the one or more numbers and/or addresses corresponding to the highlighted name are displayed concurrently on a single display.

As clearly shown in Figures 4A-4D of Mugura, the list of names is displayed on one screen in Figures 4A-4B, and the highlighted name and phone number is displayed at a different time on a different display screen in Figures 4C-4D.

Accordingly, Applicants submit that Claims 15-16 are separately patentable and respectfully request an indication of same.

CONCLUSION

Accordingly, Applicants submit that the present application is in condition for allowance and the same is earnestly solicited. The Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at 919-854-1400 for resolution of any outstanding issues.

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